



FREE COMPLIANCE GUIDE

Martyn's Law Compliance Checklist.

A step-by-step guide to preparing your venue before
April 2027.

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200+

person qualifying threshold

Apr '27

enforcement begins

18M

maximum penalty

Find out where your venue stands.

Martyn's Law applies to any publicly accessible location in the UK that regularly hosts or accommodates a qualifying number of people. Use the table below to identify your tier, then work through the corresponding checklist.

CAPACITY	TIER	WHAT YOU NEED
Under 200	Not in scope	No action required under this Act
200 to 799	Standard Tier	Procedural measures only
800+	Enhanced Tier	Physical protective measures + documentation

Venue types in scope

- ☐ Bars, nightclubs, pubs and licensed entertainment venues
- ☐ Hotels with event or conference facilities
- ☐ Theatres, music venues and arenas
- ☐ Restaurants and dining venues with 200+ seated capacity
- ☐ Shopping centres and retail complexes
- ☐ Exhibition venues, stadiums and sports grounds
- ☐ Places of worship above the qualifying threshold
- ☐ Event spaces regularly hosting 200+ people

NOTE ON CAPACITY

Capacity is determined by the maximum number of people the location can reasonably hold at any one time, not average attendance. If you regularly host events near your maximum, plan for the higher threshold.

Key dates

- **April 2025**
Royal Assent received. The Act is law.
- **April 2027**
Enforcement begins. Non-compliant venues risk penalties from this date.

PENALTIES

Up to **18 million** or **5% of worldwide revenue**, whichever is greater.

Standard Tier Checklist

200 to 799 capacity

Standard Tier venues must implement procedural security measures. There is no requirement to install physical security infrastructure at this tier. Tick each item as you complete it.

REGISTRATION

- ☐ Register your venue with the Security Industry Authority (SIA)

PROCEDURES

- ☐ Develop evacuation procedures for a terrorist attack at or near your venue
- ☐ Develop invacuation (shelter-in-place) procedures
- ☐ Develop lockdown procedures
- ☐ Establish communication procedures for alerting people on the premises

RESPONSIBILITY

- ☐ Appoint someone responsible for maintaining these procedures

TRAINING

- ☐ Train all staff on evacuation procedures
- ☐ Train all staff on invacuation procedures
- ☐ Train all staff on lockdown procedures
- ☐ Train all staff on communication protocols during an incident

DOCUMENTATION

- ☐ Document your procedures in writing
- ☐ Review and update procedures at least annually

GOOD TO KNOW

Standard Tier requirements are designed to be simple and low-cost. There is no requirement to implement physical security measures at this tier. However, venues approaching 800 capacity should begin planning for Enhanced Tier obligations now.

Enhanced Tier Checklist

800+ capacity

All Standard Tier requirements apply, plus the additional obligations below. Enhanced Tier venues must implement proportionate physical protective security measures and submit a security plan to the SIA.

ALL STANDARD TIER ITEMS, PLUS:

- ☐ Appoint a Designated Senior Individual (DSI) accountable for compliance
- ☐ Conduct a documented vulnerability assessment of your premises
- ☐ Document all protective measures in a security plan
- ☐ Submit your security plan to the SIA
- ☐ Review and update your security plan regularly
- ☐ Ensure security information is managed appropriately

PHYSICAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Implement proportionate physical measures, which may include:

- ☐ Active CCTV monitoring (not just recording)
- ☐ Bag search policies
- ☐ Vehicle access controls
- ☐ Perimeter monitoring
- ☐ Crowd management measures



HOW ARCHANGEL AI HELPS

Meeting the active monitoring requirement

- AI behaviour detection on your existing cameras meets the "active monitoring" requirement
- No new hardware required. Connects to your existing CCTV infrastructure
- Every detection event is logged and timestamped for SIA documentation
- Two months free to start before enforcement begins in April 2027

BOOK A DISCOVERY CALL

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CALCULATE YOUR ROI

See how Archangel AI compares against the cost of a compliance failure or security incident.

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